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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Catherine O'Neill

Serial No. p97/927,606

Invention: Resealable Tab

O. A. Date: January 3, 2003

Group Art Unit: 3727

Examiner: Nathan J. Newhouse

OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE – PAPER NO. 1

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the communication from the Examiner dated January 3, 2003, please amend the claims of the Application identified above as follows:

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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

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Please amend the Claims as follows:

1. [Amended]A lid and resealable tab for a drinking cup comprising a lid having an outer edge having a generally circular periphery;

a top surface for defining a drinking opening having a predetermined shape and dimension;

an annular [side wall]sidewall operatively connected to and extending from said outer edge and in a selected direction relative to said top surface;